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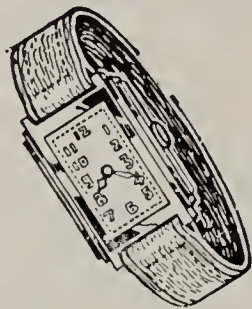
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Class of 1940

A. D. Higgins Junior High School

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Class Song

HAIL, HIGGINS JUNIOR HIGH

(Adapted from Hail, Pennsylvania)

Hail, Higgins Junior High! Steadfast
and strong;

To thee with loyal hearts, we sing this
song

Swelling to heaven high, our many
praises ring;

Hail, Higgins Junior High, to thee we
sing.

Hail, Higgins Junior High! Guide of
our youth;

Lead thou thy children on to light and
truth;

Ne'er can thy spirit die, nor thy walls
decay

Hail, Higgins Junior High, for thee we
pray.



Class History

*"What joyous hours we have enjoyed
How sweet their memory still."*

These lines are symbolic of our thoughts as we prepare to leave junior high school. The many happy associations we have made with the pupils and teachers will be among precious memories in the years to come. Now that commencement time is here it is well to review some of our activities during the past two years in order to crystallize them indelibly in our hearts.

On September 8, 1938 we gathered together to enter the first year of junior high school. At first the pupils were shy and confused but all were eager to make the most of their time and abilities. As soon as we organized our home rooms we elected class officers to represent us in Student Council.

On the second week of school the orchestra made its appearance and continued to function throughout the year. Representatives from our class included Zelda Lackey, Josephine Angelica, and Margaret Sferrazza.

Class Poem

To our dear Higgins Junior High,
Praises will we always sing;

For our dear Higgins Junior High,
Memories will ever cling.

And so in this lovely month of June,
As graduation days draw near,
We recall two happy years we've spent
In Higgins, we love so dear.

"Study, Work, Progress,"
Will ever be our guide;
We'll always cherish the red rose,
Though our paths are far and wide.

Blue and Gold, our chosen colors,
Will forever float on high
As will our cherished ambitions,
Always reaching to the sky.

So as we prepare to leave thee,
To enter a life anew,
To your inspiration and teachings,
The Class of '40 will be true.

Farewell to Higgins Junior High,
So it must be in truth;
Farewell to Higgins Junior High,
The guidance of our youth.

Norma Salley, 8A.

On September 27 we joined the eighth grade in their annual magazine drive. The salesmen were organized into two teams, the Gold and the Green Team. The Gold Team was under the supervision of Miss Woods and the Green Team was under Miss Twomey. The Green Team won, leading by a wide margin.

Those members of our class who represented us in athletics made us very proud of them. Two outstanding players of the girls basketball team were Florence Moschetti and Lucy Angelica. Some of the stars of the boys basketball team were John O'Brien, John Porcello, John Olko and Matthew Korona.

The Glee Club made several public appearances and presented many noteworthy performances on the following occasions. Community Christmas Sing, American Legion Auxiliary Meeting,

Parent Teacher's Association, and North American Civic League. Some of our classmates who joined this activity are Claire Rush, Janice Ryan, Zelda Lackey, Lucy Angelica, Jennie Zawada, Mildred Blaszkowski, Josephine Caramazza, and Genevieve Ward.

In March the Basketball Banquet came as a fitting climax to a successful basketball season. Speeches were made by the coaches, captains, and some members of the faculty. Gifts were presented to the coaches by the captains, Claire Rush and Michael Panella.

In March also, try outs for the Golden Jubilee Minstrel were in order. After four weeks of arduous rehearsing the show was presented on April 19. The minstrel was dedicated to Mr. Parkman in honor of completing fifty years in the field of education. Some of the outstanding performers were Janice Ryan, Claire Pare, Zelda Lackey, and endman Lucy Angelica.

For our athletics the arrival of spring announced the coming of baseball. Some of the players were John Olko, John O'Brien, Sam Albano, Clarence Hicks, and Raymond Ligenza of the boys team and Lucy Angelica, Jean O'Brien, Amelia Lamagna, Florence Moschetti, Harriet Bond, Claire Leete and Concetta Angelica of the girls team.

On June 8, some girls of the Home Economics classes presented a very successful operetta under the direction of Miss Eileen Smith. The girls in our class who took part were: Zelda Lackey, Janice Ryan, Jennie Zawada, Florence Moschetti and Claire Pare.

Although we have reviewed in some detail, the extra-curricular activities of our seventh grade, we do not wish to give the impression that we were concerned entirely with the lighter side of life. Actually, the major portion of our time was devoted to the more serious scholastic pursuits. We felt at the end of the year, that we had made definite progress in learning and we looked forward to our second year of junior high school with confidence and anticipation.

Upon entering the eighth grade in September, 1939, we gloried in the thought that we at last occupied the coveted places of leadership in the junior high school. We were not unmindful, however, of the obligations of our new position; we tried hard to set a good example to the younger children.

Very soon our second annual magazine drive was under way under the leadership of Miss Twomey and Miss Woods. Robert Finnan and Florence Moschetti were captains of the teams. Among the salespeople, John O'Brien, Janice Ryan, Virginia Vail, and Allan Hartley proved to be most capable. With the money re-

ceived from the magazine drive, a moving picture projector was purchased for the school.

Our school athletes attended the Four Town's Fair in Hazardville in September. They acquired a good showing of blue and red ribbons while participating in the sport events.

The Student Council was organized late in September under the supervision of Mr. White. The Student Council officers were elected as follows: president, Zelda Lackey; vice-president, Clarence Hicks; secretary, Dorothy Jacobs.

The Junior Hi-Y, an organization recently made up of boys from the seventh and eighth grades of the A. D. Higgins School, has made us proud of them by the work and diligence they have shown in "maintaining and extending throughout the school and community high standards of Christian character."

The girl's basketball team was organized early in November and it has proven to have a fairly good season. The stars of the team were Florence Moschetti and Jean O'Brien. Florence was an outstanding forward whose position will be hard to fill next year and Jean was a good guard.

Christmas came around with its medley of exchanging gifts. Each room in the school prepared a basket of food for the needy. The spirit of good will could be seen from one end of the school to another. Before leaving for our week's vacation, each class had a party and gifts were exchanged. And then—one blessed week of out-door excitement with skiing, skating and tobogganing.

Upon our return to school in January, the boy's basketball team was formed under the instruction of a new coach Mr. Sigmont Domessheiski. The stars of the team were John O'Brien, Clarence Hicks, and John Olko. The boys selected Joseph Lamagna as their captain. The basketball team this year has been one of the best in the basketball history of the school. The forces were small but fast and the sports-loving people of the school hope that they will have a team that is just as good or even better in 1941.

A great deal of shopping around for valentines was done by the students of our school in February. By February 14, valentine boxes were filled to overflowing and the students all were eager to distribute them.

We started to elect our class officers early in the Spring. The results were: president, Lucy Angelica; vice-president, Florence Moschetti; and secretary, Norma Salley. For our class colors blue and gold were selected. For our motto we chose "Study, Work, Progress" and

Class Prophecy

Listen my children and you shall hear,
All that has happened since the year
We graduated from dear old Higgins
School,
Full of courage, hopes, and rules—
Twenty years have passed since then,
And we are now ladies and gentlemen.
Many of us have drifted far apart.
You'd like to hear about it—

ALL RIGHT, WE'LL START

Thomas Rostek found fame at home,
In a drugstore business of his own.
If you need a tonic or some pills,
His clerk *Jean Panella* will take care of
your ills—
Especially if the prescription came
From our city physician, *Dr. Crane*.
Perhaps your teeth need a little atten-
tion,
Dentists *Lila* and *Loren Reed* we'd be
quick to mention.

for our flower, the American Beauty
Rose.

Our home economic girls, having been
duly pledged and initiated as members
of the club, have led a full schedule in
the planning of parties and food sales.
On June 4, the group gave a Fashion
Show, which was a great success.

Commencement activities opened on
Wednesday, June 12, with our Class
Day Program. The Class History, Class
Will, and Prophecy were presented and
as a special feature of the day, the movie
"A Day at Higgins" was shown.

On June 13, the graduates, after long
weeks of expectant waiting, traversed to
Mt. Tom! At this wonderful playground,
hilarious proceedings commenced. Rides
on the roller coaster, whip, aeroplanes,
and roller skating, all were included in
our fun. We had such a wonderful time
that we hoped to return some day.

Monday, June 17, saw an excited
group of boys and girls combing the
town in an effort to win the prizes
offered for the most successful scavenger
hunters.

On Tuesday evening, June 18, Com-
mencement activities culminated in the
exercises at the Enfield High School
Auditorium. As we accepted our dip-
lomas from Mr. Parkman, we resolved
anew upon our motto: "Study, Work,
Progress."

By Josephine Caramazza,
Dorothy Petrone,
Class Historians.

You say your car needs to be over-
hauled—

Ralph Fiore and *Roland Bomely* have the
best garage of all.

Because their chief mechanic *John*
Porcello,

Surely is a mechanical fellow.

But don't get arrested in our town,

Or chief *Francis Panella* on you will
frown

And bring you before *Raymond Legienza*
our judge,

Who from a decision will not budge.

Even for Lawyer *Dorothy Jacobs* his
friend

Who has to agree with him in the end.
Try *Charles Vella's* restaurant while

you're around,

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Theofiles.

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By competent waitresses like *Shirley*
Landry and *Helen Kamay*—

And when you go to pay the bill,

Lorraine Pelkey or *Alice Fowler* you'll
find will

Be very glad to take care of you,

And take the amount that is due.

And after you have been to eat;

You can have your hair fixed by *Miss*
Leete.

Who with *Carmelina DiMaria* runs a
salon,

But if you're a man I'm sure you'd have
gone.

To *Scalia's* Barber Shop—best in the
state;

With Barbers *Vetro* and *DeCaro* you
never have to wait.

You say you'd like something to read,

Our librarian *Marie D'Amato* will supply
your need.

If you're a stranger—she is sure to
supply,

Pierog's History of Enfield—I need not
say why—

Or show you some paintings of our town,
Done by *Edward Carroll* who's drawings

are found

In many prominent places here and
there.

He and *Vincent Misuraca* even had some
at the World's Fair.

Perhaps you'd enjoy our town from the
air—

Pilot *Bomely* will be ready to give you
your share

Of thrills—And if you do get a scare,

Hostess *Jean O'Brien* will be right there
To calm your fears, or if you get ill,

Nurse *Claire Jones* will give you a pill.
Just take a ride to the *Bissland Airport*,
Sam Albano the manager, will be your
escort.

He'll show you his planes and his crack
pilots too.

Calcasola, *Hartley*, *Caronna*, and *Rumore*
all look familiar to you.

Also *Edmund Wosko* and *Bob Finnan*
who from high in their stand,

Give directions on how to make an air-
plane land.

Then into his spacious office you'll go—
Miss *Maxellon*, *Malides*, or *Gizara*, of
course you'll know.

Just buy your ticket from *Eleanor Young*
And the time of your life has just begun.
Billy Warren will point out the impor-
tant places.

On the plane you will see familiar faces,
Claire Pare, the actress, out for an
airing

Great honors with *John O'Brien* she's
sharing,

For *John* has written a successful play;
Which may be in the movies some day.

Dr. Clarence Hicks sits across the aisle—
He has lots to say after a while.

He said *Edward Zebrowski* always a
mathematician,

Is one of the countries' leading statisti-
cians.

That *Josephine Pierz* has a painting
shop,

Where *Harriet King's* picture's are at
the top.

Stasia Olechny with the help of
Antoinette Renna.

Conduct a gymnasium where people get
thinner.

Billy Mills is now owner of the Hotel
Strand,

Where *Donald Brown* is the leader of
the band.

The hostess tuned in on the radio
And the announcer's voice surprised us
so.

We heard *Edward Wojnar* give the time,
According to *Sypeck's* Clock with the
chime.

Charles Fabrico you remember—so do
we;

Now plays the piano at N. B. C.
He is about to give a short broadcast,

But we can't hear it, for at last—
We're back at the airport safe and sound

Ready again to visit the town.
As you ride along through the Main
Street,

Name of classmates your eyes do meet—
Rita Vesce, Designer of Smart Clothes,

And *Barbara Morin's* Vogue Shop for
Shoes.

Next *John Sullivan's* fresh fish hatchery,
Where *Charles Rinaldi* delivers them to
you and to me.

Roblinski's Hardware Store is across the
street—

If you go in *Earl Ogden* or *John Bruno*
you'll meet.

They are the clerks who make the money,
While *Walter* stays out where it is
sunny.

Next door you find *Petrone's* 5 & 10,
Where *Louise Bottone* greets all her
friends,—

As she demonstrates *Gamache's* mar-
malade.

Made by *Marion* with *Rose Delore's* aid.
Next is *Muratore's* Garage — where
work's well done,

By expert mechanics *Cusimano* and
Patterson.

Next we see a great big sign,
Which reads *Ruggiero's* Steamship Line.
Right beside the Connecticut River
Bridge

Built by *Sevarino & Hyland* Co. from
ridge to ridge.

In the center of town, is the new library
Which was built by *Robert Garner* and
Thomas Cammilleri.

If you need a home, to *Adamcheck's*
Apartments you're sent—

Where *Robert Goodwin*, as janitor, col-
lects the rents.

If you should ride through Springfield,
Mass.,

Some of the shops, I'm sure you'd pass,
Are *Gloria Smith's* Curio Shop on Main
Street extension,

Which sells *Snyder's* novelties of every
dimension.

Next door is *Mary Porcello's* Tea Shop.
She'll serve you tea whenever you stop;

And *Josephine Caramazza's* her assist-
ant, you'll see;

She helps to make you as welcome as
can be.

On the other side is *Johnston's* Dress
Store,

Which have better dresses at not a trifle
more.

Go to *Cardaropoli's* Tailor Shop if you're
a man,

He specializes in custom made suits of
tan.

Eleanor Longmore will take your order,
And satisfy you without further bother.

If you have a sweet tooth and like to eat
pastry,

Pauline Sacheli and *Marion Gaetani* are
the ones you must see

They have a little store on the corner of
the street,

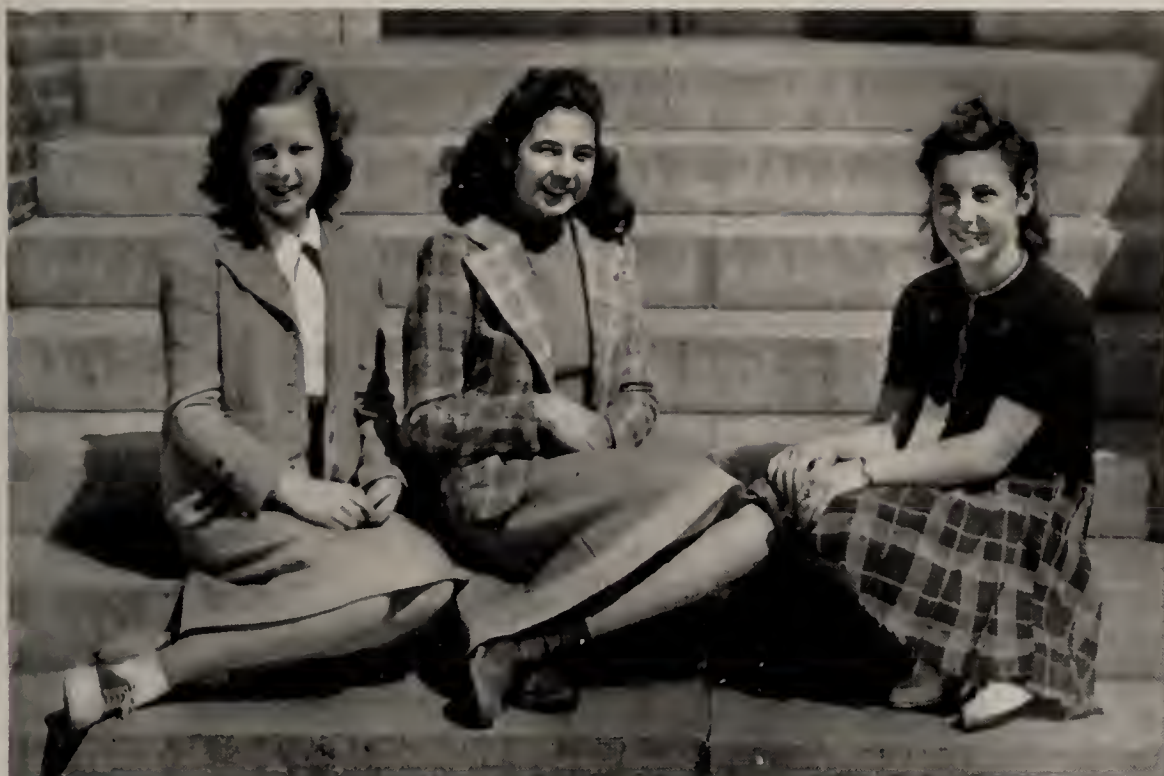
And officer *Cosimo Bosco* says their cake
can't be beat.

If you want flowers to brighten your
home,

Just call *Florence Hardiman*, The
Florist, by phone.

Stella Hias, her clerk, will arrange a
bouquet,

And *Robert Humphries* will deliver it
right away.



CLASS OFFICERS

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(Left to right) Norma Salley, Secretary; Lucy Angelica, President; Florence Moschetti, Vice-President



TATLER STAFF

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You need some new stockings, a pair or two,
Vincie Zirolli will be pleased to sell them to you.
 She works in *Amelia Lamagna's* Hosiery Bar
 And with *Rose Angelica* the bookkeeper,
 has just bought a car
 From *Freeman Quinlan*, a salesman, who demonstrates cars,
 Which Officer *Diedonis* says, looks as if they came from Mars.
 If you need any supplies from the farms,
 Go to *Earl Adams* or *George Landry's* spotless barns.
 Here you'll find everything right up to date,
 So says *John Olko* milk inspector for the state.
 Of course you have heard on the radio,
Concetta Angelica and *Mary Zirolli's* Variety Show,
 Which features *Lucy Angelica* as The Singing Lady;
 Also *Caroline Legienza* and *Lillian Gerandeno* in, "Spots that are Shady."
 Stories written by *Anna Lamagna*, about weird places,
 Which when described by *Jane Gudlewski* makes the faces,
 Of all the children who are listening in,
 Lose absolutely every single trace of a grin.
 I'm sure that you've heard *Virginia Vail*,
 In her morning broadcast "Under the Veil."
 She advertises *Mildred Blaszkow's* foundation cream,
 Which makes even a poor complexion a perfect dream.
 Tune in any night about seven o'clock—
Carleton Oliver you'll find is right on the dot;
 With headline news from the entire world,
 Arranged for him by *E. Alaimo* his copy girl.
 If you listen to Information Please you'll find
 That expert *Janet Bromage* will enlighten your mind,
 On questions which the audience might suggest.
 To *Norma Salley*, *Margaret Kiley*, or to the musical guest,
Zelda Lackey, who, so far, has always been able,
 To play the song and also give it a label.
 Or perhaps it's Household Hints you like,
 Given by *Edith Criscitelli* each night.
 Or the Sports Review by *Tony Siano*,
 Who does well in picking the winner.
Margaret Sferazza is also on the radio,
 Her program is called "What We All Know."
 If you're interested in new dishes to cook,

For *Eleanor Mancinkevig's* program you look.
 She is on with *Mae Humphries*,
 And they give many brand new recipes.
 If you are ill—I'm sure
 You'll go at once, to *Maggio's Rest Cure*.
 Here under *Frances* and *Carmella's* care,
 You'll get good food and plenty of air.
 They have a very competent staff—
 Nurses *Krolisky* or *Pindaro* will make you laugh;
 Until Supervisor *Bond* arrives in the room,
 To tell Nurse *Bourque*, you're to sleep 'till noon.
 If you wonder what girls are secretaries,
 Miss *Frangiamore*, *Arcadipane*, *Majher*, and *Cammilleri*,
Vera Fasano, *Josephine Porcello*, and *Marie Demetrion*
 Are bookkeepers in the office of the Boston American.
 If you stop into *D'Ascoli's* Bakery,
Louise Bellavia, I'm sure you'll see
 You'd enjoy a visit to our High School,
 To see the fine new swimming pool;
 Where *Florence Moschetti* teaches the girls to swim,
 And *Josephine Angelica* has charge of the gym.
 If you visit the school library, so large,
 You'll meet *Virginia Santanella*, who is in charge.
 If you travel way out to the West Coast,
Frank DeWolf you'll find in an important post—
 With the *Reynolds & Mnich* Film Concern,
 Which has just produced a movie "Live and Learn";
 Written by *Adeline Cimino* a former resident of our town;
 Who with *Jennie Zawada* also wrote "Life of a Clown."
 In that section too, *Walter Wolak*, you'll find,
 Who operates a very large silver mine.
 He employs over one hundred men,
Dorecenzi and *LaGrange*, are two of them.
 If you care to take a trip to Alaska,
 Up there you'd find *Bertha Pertraska*;
 Who is a reporter for the Alaska News,
 Published by *Myers* who expresses her views—
 On current events with such frank reports,
 That she gets Commentator *E. Sullivan* out of sorts.
 Up there in the land of ice and snow,
Janice Ryan teaches the little Eskimo.
 She has a private school of her own.
 And persuades *Claire Rush & Genevieve Ward* to leave home;
 And join her as a member of the teaching staff—
 And the tales they tell would make you laugh.

"Study, Work, Progress"

VALEDICTORY

Our graduation from Higgins School tonight is an occasion of great happiness for every member of the class. Having completed our first eight years of study, we now have the satisfaction of knowing that the first goal toward which we have been working since we entered school has finally been reached.

You know we like to feel that we are growing up, and we are old enough to realize that this graduation doesn't mean just receiving a diploma, or wearing a new dress, or even receiving lovely gifts. The most important idea that graduation brings to us is that next fall we shall enter high school. We are looking forward to this new experience, although many of us are rather timid about beginning our work in a different school. There we shall make new friends, have new teachers, and study new subjects. Let us hope that September will find us all together in Enfield High School, ready to continue our education.

Our progress in school might be compared to a climb up a high mountain which is surrounded by lovely valleys. Imagine the pupils in our graduating class as mountain climbers. We are now halfway up this mountain. Below us we see the deep valleys with their beautiful trees and the quiet, peaceful scenes of

our childhood. We have enjoyed the time spent in the valleys and feel a touch of sadness at leaving them. Yet as we turn our gaze upward, we know that above us is the goal for which we have always been working—the mountain peak of success. We are pleased to have reached the halfway point of the mountain of education, and while we regret leaving the pleasant scenes of our childhood, we look forward with hope and ambition to the remaining climb toward the top.

We feel, however, that if we are ever going to reach the top and become successful, we will need something to guide us. For this reason the class has selected the motto, "Study, Work, Progress" as a guide for future years. No doubt there will be many times in our high school work when this motto will help us overcome many difficulties.

After having seen the moving pictures of school life at Higgins, it is easy to understand how the ideas expressed in our motto—"Study, Work, Progress," have already played an important part in our activities and classroom work for the past eight years. In the lower grades we first began to learn how to work and study. What we did then seems more like play than work to us now, but we certainly did enjoy our early experiences in school. It is really in the lower grades that we first learned to work and study, and our progress was often remarkable. We learned to read, to write, and to work with numbers, as well as to develop our ability to use these skills in projects and activities growing out of our regular lessons.

In the lower grades, for instance, we see the children working on projects such as "Hansel and Gretel." As a basis for this project work, the pupils have studied the background of the story. They have learned some of the music of the opera, and have come to know the setting, the characters, and the story. Many fine posters were made illustrating interesting parts of the opera.

There is another phase of school life which most people would not think of as study, but which is of value in many ways. I refer to the playground and gymnasium activities supervised by teachers, as you have seen in our movie. In their early school years the children are taught how to play with others, which lays a foundation for their future life when they must know how to work with others.

In the Junior High School, the various clubs, assembly programs, and Student

If you'd rather go to the sunny climes,
Visit *Wlotkowski's* plantation of lemons
and limes.

His orchards, according to *John Flaherty*,
his head man,
Are about the finest in the land.

His shipper, *Joseph Legienza*, says he
sends crates,

To every one of the forty-eight states.
Should you stay for any length of time,
Accommodations at *Sarno Hotel* you'll
find

Will come up to Manager *Matthew Korona's*
slogan—

"Stay here one night and you'll stop
rovin'."

Hostess *Rosalie Lamagna* will always
greet you

And perhaps the manager will treat you.

You have just seen the future foretold,
So now let us turn back to the days of
old.

Wanda Pierog,
Zelda Lackey,
Frederick Bomely.

Council offer opportunities for study and work outside the classroom. Our progress in school is faster and more interesting because of these varied activities which you have seen tonight.

How can this particular motto guide us and help us from now on? The answer is—if we study and work hard we are bound to progress just as Abraham Lincoln did early in the nineteenth century. There was a boy whose elementary training did not exceed six months' instruction in a common school. He worked all day and then in the evening studied from a few books which he was able to borrow. This he did of his own free-will, and the progress he made was a credit to him, for he had no teachers to guide him nor textbooks to study from, no electric lights, nor even a good oil lamp, nothing but a small candle and oftentimes just the light from the fire-place. He took charge of a country store and set himself to the task of self-teaching in an earnest and systematic way. Later he became a postmaster, then a deputy county surveyor, and finally he was admitted to the bar. He was elected to the Legislature, then to Congress, and his progress through study and hard work is outstanding. One of his famous sayings was, "I will study, and get ready, and maybe my chance will come." His chance did come, as we all know. Abraham Lincoln, the Great Emancipator, is probably one of the most beloved and honored of all great Americans.

How vastly different from Abraham Lincoln's life are the lives of children today. Of course we have our homework to do, but nevertheless there is always

time for recreation. We attend excellent schools which are well built and well equipped, and we are supervised by teachers who have been well trained in their profession. Because we have been so fortunate to be able to attend school under these conditions, we are going to study and work to the best of our ability during the next four years, and we sincerely hope that our progress will be steady.

In order to do this, however, we must have the guidance of our parents. We need to talk over our plans and our secret ambitions with them. We should not enter high school and take any course just because we happen to like the subjects. We need to select the course which will help us best to fulfill our ambitions. If we follow our motto, we will work hard, and learn to study well so that four years from now our parents will be just as proud of us as they are tonight. Maybe they don't realize it, but we are happy when they are proud of us, and it helps us to do better work.

Now the time has come for us to bid farewell to our beloved A. D. Higgins School. We are grateful to you, our teachers, parents and friends, and to you, Mr. White, our principal, and to you, Mr. Parkman, our superintendent, because you all have been so interested in our progress. The future lies ahead and we are looking forward to it happily and with confidence. We sincerely hope that we shall deserve your trust and pride in us. Let us try hard to live up to our motto and be a credit to the A. D. Higgins School and the Class of 1940.

Claire Pare.

Prizes

The members of the graduating Class of 1940 are eligible for several prizes, generously given by individuals and organizations.

In memory of Alvin D. Higgins, prizes will be given to the two students attaining the highest rank in scholarship. The highest student will have his name engraved on the scholarship plaque which hangs in the lower corridor of the school. This student will also receive a scholarship key.

Two prizes of five dollars each will be given by the Woman's Club of Enfield to the students ranking highest in Mathematics and English.

Through the generosity of one of our

cherished friends, a prize of two and one-half dollars will be given to the boy and girl making the greatest improvement in Penmanship and Dictation.

The Veterans of Foreign War will present five dollars to the student ranking highest in American History.

On behalf of the school, Mr. White will present two and one-half dollars to the pupil who has shown the most improvement. To the one who is selected the best citizen of the school goes a bronze key in addition to two and one-half dollars in money.


To the outstanding athlete is presented a medal.

Graduates of 1940




Joseph Adamcheck, "Mutt"

Mutt, who gets "A" in penmanship,
Is equally high in sportsmanship.



Earl Adams, "Skinny"

Baseball, Basketball Manager
Earl was busy during Basketball season,
Being a good manager was the reason.



Constance P. Agrapides "Connie"

High Honor, Class Will
Bright black eyes and a very fine mind,
We'd like to have more of Connie's kind.



Esther Alaimo

Honor Student

A friend and pal so good and true;
'Twould be hard to find another like you.



Sam Albano, "Sheriff"

Student Council, Baseball, Honor Student

History is Sam's favorite class,
In this subject he's sure to pass.



Concetta Angelica, "Dolly"

Baseball, Basketball, Home Economics Club

Concetta Angelica is ever so witty,
She's clever, she's wise, and, oh, so pretty.



Josephine Angelica, "Jo"

Home Economics Club, Orchestra

Josephine is jolly and a good little sport,
We'll all give three cheers for a girl of this sort.



Lucy Angelica, "Lulu"

President Class of 1940, Baseball, Basketball, Glee Club,
President of Home Economics Club, Honor Student

A capable girl and popular too,
An outstanding member of 8B2.



Rose M. Angelica

Honor Student

Rose is the star of our English class;
She never has to wonder if she'll pass.



Elizabeth Arcadipane, "Lizzie"

Elizabeth is always ready to look
At any interesting, funny book.



Louise Bellavia, "Bell"


In school, Louise is very quiet,
But when she's out, she could start a riot.



John Bissland, "Bissy"

Student Council, Glee Club, Junior Hi-Y Club

John has ready his candid camera
To snap pictures of girls with glamour.



Mildred A. Blaszk, "Millie"

Salutatorian, Glee Club, Tatler Staff

Tall and thin and very smart;
In all activities she has a leading part.



Frederick P. Bomely, "Tiny"

High Honor Student, Tatler Staff,
Vice-President of Junior Hi-Y

A humorist he, but never fear
For, when things must be done
Frederick is near.



Roland Bomely, "Bomely"

He may seem quiet, but don't you fear,
He's always right there when fun is near.



Harriet Bond

Baseball, Home Economics Club

Harriet looks like a quiet one
But when you know her she's full of fun.



Cosimo J. Bosco, "Coco"

Honor Student

In History he is always at his best
And does very well in all the rest.



Louise M. Bottone, "Terry"

Who's that giggling outside the door?
It's Louise coming through the corridor.



Doris Bourque, "Frenchie"
Honor Student, Home Economics Club

A bright and happy girl to whom we say,
We're glad you've been with us during each school day.



Janet E. Bromage, "Jan"
Glee Club, Home Economics Club, Honor Student
"Carefree as the day is long."



Donald G. Brown, "Brownie"
Student Council, Tatler Staff, Treasurer of Junior Hi-Y Orchestra, High Honor Student

Small in size but quick as a dart;
He's won his way into our heart.



John J. Bruno, "Ja Ja"

John is so very small,
He hasn't grown one inch since fall.



John J. Calcasola, "Johnney"

John is thin and tall
But he is good in basketball.



Lillian Cammilleri, "Lil"

Honor Student, Home Economics Club

Her ways are so pleasing, her manners so fine,
As one of our nicest girls does Lillian shine.



Thomas J. Cammilleri, "Tommy"

Glee Club, Honor Student

This young man in life will make good,
From our observations he certainly should.



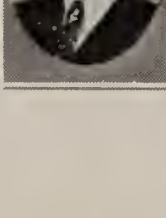
Josephine M. Caramazza, "Jo"
Glee Club, Tatler Staff, Home Economics Club, High Honor Student, Class Historian

She is serious minded and very sincere;
She will be successful we have no fear.



Salvatore Cardaropoli

Salvatore always wears a smile,
For some fun he'd walk a mile.



Vincent James Caronna, "Jimmy"

Student Council, Glee Club

James is ever smiling, so happy and so gay,
And being friendly and pleasant is how he spends his day.

Edward W. Carroll, "Eddie"

Basketball, Baseball

Eddie isn't very tall
But on the diamond, he never misses a ball.

Adeline T. Cimino, "Adie"

Tatler Staff, High Honor Student

Long black curls and such a pretty smile,
Adorns her face all the while.

Ronald Crane, "Ronnie"

Glee Club

He'll have success for he has ambition;
We know he'll reach a high position.

Edith Criscitelli, "Rip"

She's happy, pretty, and very sweet,
And always tries to look very neat.

Joseph Cusimano, "Joey"

Honor Student, Student Council

He's a popular boy as all can see,
We predict a great success he'll be.

Marie D'Amato, "Dicky"

Baseball, Librarian, Honor Student, Home Economics Club

Her talents are many, her friends are the same,
For anything important, we suggest her name.

Joseph J. D'Ascoli, "Daski"

Manager Baseball. Glee Club Honor Student

Joe D'Ascoli is always teasing
But in spite of this he's very pleasing.

Carlo De Caro, "Jim"

Carlo is a stout lad,
And you'll never see him really sad.

Adam Dedonis, "Sharky"

Adam does his work as each day passes by,
No matter how hard the job may be, he never fails to try.

Rose Delore, "Roe"

Rose Delore likes to sew,
Someday we'll see her in a fashion show.



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Marie Demetrion

Home Economics Club, Honor Student

Marie's report card is always good—
But sometimes she talks more than she should.



Frank DeWolf, "Wolffy"

Frank is our History shark
And in it always gets a high mark.



Carmelina L. Di Maria, "Carmie"

Glee Club, Home Economics Club, High Honor Student

A little bit noisy, a laugh and some fun
But just you bet her work is done.



Michael Dorescenzi, "Micky"

After school Mickey likes his fun
But his homework is usually done.



Charles Fabrico, "Chick"

Baseball

Charles is always so full of fun
Rushing at the last minute to get his work done.



Vera Fasano

In every subject she does her best
And studies hard for every test.



Robert F. Finnan, "Bob"

Junior Hi-Y Club, Tatler Staff, 1st half, Honor Student

Not too serious—not too gay
A splendid fellow in every way.



Ralph Fiore, "Raphie"

Student Council, Glee Club, Honor Student

Ralph always has a great big smile,
He keeps us laughing all the while.



John Flaherty, "Janek"

Assistant Librarian

He's a humdinger with vim to spare,
Always active, he does more than his share.



Mary Alice Fowler, "Al"

Student Council

Alice is quiet, and polite as can be,
She is smart, and as busy as a bee.

Rosalie Frangiamore, "Roe"

Rosalie has such beautiful hair,
And in her games she always plays fair.

Marian Gaetani

Honor Student

Her ways are quiet, she's sweet to behold,
And, best of all, she has a heart made of gold.



Mary Ann Gamache, "Mickey"

Student Council

Neatness and cleanliness is her great desire,
And that's one thing we all admire.



Robert Garner, "Fat"

Robert likes to hike and swim;
You can easily make friends with him.



Lillian Gerandeno, "Lee"

Glee Club, Baseball

Instead of work—instead of play
Our Lillian loves to swing and sway.



Frances Eileen Gizara, "Red"

Frances, with her golden red hair,
Finds much to laugh at everywhere.



Robert Goodwin, "Goody"

Robert Goodwin, witty and gay,
Keeps his friends laughing all the day.



Jane Gudlewski, "Shorty"

Baseball, Home Economics Club

Who is the tomboy of our class?
Why it's Jane Gudlewski—that merry lass.



Florence Hardiman

Florence is quiet and shy in class,
But out of door she's a merry lass.



Allan Hartley, "Hartsie"

Junior Hi-Y

After school you'll find Allan on his way,
Delivering papers in a first class way.



Stella Hias

Stella is quiet and shy
But her marks are always high.

Clarence Hicks

Baseball, Basketball, Honor
Student

Clarence may be a little short
But he is a champion in many a sport.

Mae Humphries, "Mazie"

If she's peppy and has an impish smile,
Then it's Mae, who's happy all the
while.

Robert Humphries, "Bobby"

You'd never guess it, but he's quite
wise,
He often gives his friends a big sur-
prise.

Charles Hyland, "Chick"

Charles is good natured and full of
fun,
And he is ready for a lark when his
work is done.

Dorothy Jacobs, "Dottie"

Student Council, Basketball,
Home Economics Club

Dorothy is pretty and has such pleasing
ways,
Her smile will help many through the
coming days.

Lillian Johnston, "Lil"

A very true friend, who's kind and
gay,
For fun she draws good pictures, they
say.

Claire Jones

In a group she stands out from the
rest,
This tall, fair-haired girl, who does her
best.

Helen M. Kamay

Honor Student

Whether it's in work or play
Helen helps in every way.

Margaret T. Kiley, "Peggy"

Basketball, Home Economics
Club, Honor Student

A keen student, a fine friend and a
pleasant companion.

Harriet King

Honor Student

Always loyal, clever and gay,
This likable girl is an artist, they say.

Matthew J. Korona, "Krozak"

Baseball, Basketball, Honor
Student

He's on the job from morn 'till night
But playing baseball is his delight.

Lilyan Krolisky, "Lil"

Lilyan with her pleasing ways,
Has helped us enjoy our Higgins School
days.

Zelda T. Lackey, "April"

High Honor Student, Class
Prophecy, Pres. of Student
Council, 1st semester, Tatler
Staff, Orchestra, Vice-Pres. Glee
Club, Class Dues

She is sweet and lovely, bright and
fair;
Her disposition sunny and her talent
rare.

Frederick LaGrange, "Fritz"

Hi-Y Club

Fred is quiet and small,
But in class he beats them all.

Amelia M. Lamagna, "Mil"

Student Council, Baseball, Bas-
ketball, Home Economics Club

Always witty, always gay
With her hair in the latest way.

Ann Rita Lamagna

Student Council, Home Eco-
nomics Club

She has a merry twinkle in her eye
And a sunny smile as she passes by.

Rosalie Lamagna

Rosalie you should all know;
She makes a hit wherever we go.

George Landry, "Speed"

Student Council, Honor Student

He's an all-round boy who is going far,
For he has hitched his wagon to a star.

Shirley E. Landry, "Peanuts"

High Honor Student

Shirley with her pleasing ways
Brightens even our dullest days.

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Claire Leete, "Sandy"

Student Council, Baseball

When Claire's work is complete,
She chats with everyone she meets.



Caroline Legienza, "Carol"

Home Economics Club

Caroline has curls and a smile that's demure,
And that she will always please you is one thing sure.



Joseph Legienza, "Joe"

Student Council

Ever loyal, ever true,
To the task he has to do.



Raymond J. Ligenza, "Kietsaw"

High Honor Student, Baseball, Basketball, Tatler Staff, 1st half

When baseball calls he's there and ready
His ambitious mind is calm and steady,



Eleanor Mae Longmore, "L"

Honor Student

Pleasant to talk with, pretty to see,
She's as charming as a girl can be.



Carmela Maggio, "Mamie"

Home Economics Club

Carmela is so very neat
Among the girls she can't be beat.



Frances Maggio, "Duchy"

Home Economics Club

Duchy is one who is never blue
She wears a smile the whole day through.



Steffie Majher

Tell us your secret, Steffie, please,
How do you do so well with ease?



Irene Malides, "Renee"

Honor Student

Helping her friends in every way
Is something that Irene does each day.



Eleanor Marcinkevig

Eleanor is rather tall and slim,
But she likes her class in gym.

Jean Maxellon, "Jeanie"

Home Economics Club

Jean is little, Jean is wise,
She has light hair and bright blue eyes.



William Mills, "Bill"

Baseball, Basketball

Billy is so full of fun
He laughs and fools till day is done.



Vincent Misuraca, "Jim"

Vincent is very tall,
For athletics he doesn't care at all.



Henry L. Mnich

To read stories like "Robin Hood" is his delight,
And in athletics he shows his might.



Barbara Morin, "Bobby"

At work and at play
Barbara helps in every way.



Florence Moschetti, "Flo"

Vice-Pres. Class of 1940, Glee Club, Baseball, Basketball, Home Economics Club, Honor Student

These humble words are all too few,
To tell how much we think of you.



Joseph Muratore, "Joe"

Joseph's fair and loyal, too,
He sticks to tasks he has to do.



Betty M. Myers

Baseball, High Honor Student

All the way from Enfield Street
Comes dependable Betty always so neat.



Jean T. O'Brien

Honor Student, Baseball, Basketball, Tatler Staff

Jean has pep and ability galore
In athletics she makes her score.



John F. O'Brien, "Jack"

High Honor Student, Student Council, Glee Club, Baseball, Basketball, Tatler Staff, Pres. of Junior Hi-Y

A great big smile that we cannot change
His many accomplishments have a very wide range.





Earl Ogden, "Ogee"

Junior Hi-Y

Life in the open appeals to him
And he is handy in keeping things
trim.



Stasia Olechny

Honor Student

Ever ready, ever true
To the task she has to do.



Carlton Oliver, "Peanuts"

Student Council

Happy-go-lucky, funny too,
He keeps our Class from feeling blue.



John C. Olko, "Yogo"

Glee Club, Baseball, Basketball

Tongue ever going—spirit ever gay
Here is our Yogo who has so much to
say.



Francis Panella, "Bud"

Student Council, Baseball, Bas-
ketball, Honor Student

Francis is president of the 8B3 class
And he would never shirk a task.



Jean Panella, "Jeannie"

Our Jeannie, with the dark brown hair,
Is one with whom much fun we share.



Claire A. Pare, "Carrots"

Valedictorian, Pres. of Student
Council, Glee Club, Tatler Staff,
Home Economics Club, Class
Dues

Ablest actress, best student, sincerest
friend
Many a charm to us she could lend.



**Frank Patterson,
"Patrick Henry"**

Honor Student

Frank doesn't seem to like to leave
school
He leaves the room last, as a rule.



Lorraine Pelkey, "Dolly"

Glee Club, Home Economics,
Club, Honor Student

A gay companion with personality plus,
Her charming ways surely do please us.



Bertha Petraska, "Bunny"

Bertha is a quiet lass
Who never would disturb our class.

Dorothy Petrone

Class Historian, High Honor
Student

Kind and generous, bright and reserved
From her obligations she never has
swerved.



Wanda A. Pierog, "Windy"

Class Prophecy, High Honor
Student

Mischievous blue eyes and oh so gay
That is our Wanda every day.



Josephine E. Pierz, "Joe"

High Honor Student, Glee Club,
Tatler Staff, Home Economics
Club

Mischievous, artistic and very alert,
And just a wee little bit of a flirt.



Vincyn Pindaro, "Vin"

Well liked by all and very sweet
She's just the girl you'd like to meet.



John J. Porcello

Baseball, Basketball, Honor
Student

He loves to go fishing on a bright
sunny day,
And on the diamond he also holds
sway.



Josephine Porcello, "Joe"

Home Economics Club

This girl—so quiet and sincere
Brought 8B2 much cheer.



Mary A. Porcello, "Mer"

High Honor Student

In a diligent manner she tends to her
books,
And doesn't forget to tend to her looks.



Freeman Quinlan, "Bud"

Freeman and Mike are always together
Year in year out—all kinds of weather.



Lila Reed, "Li"

Glee Club, Home Economics
Club

Everyone is happy when Lila is there,
With her sweet disposition, and her
pretty fair hair.



Loren Reed, "Reed"

Sometimes he is serious and sometimes
he is gay,
But he never fails to treat us in a very
friendly way.

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Edmund Renals

Edmund is a handsome boy.
To all our hearts his smile brings joy.



Antoinette Renna, "Annie"

Honor Student

Antoinette wears a great big smile
Knowing her is well worthwhile.



Charles Rinaldi, "Chick"

Always dressed neatly and looking just
so,
Charles is a fine kind of boy to know.



Walter Roblinski, "Bubbie"

Walter moves slowly but when all is
said and done
He does enough work and he has
enough fun.



Thomas P. Rostek, "Tom"

Student Council

Tom always has his lesson done
And never bothers anyone.



**Carmine Ruggiero,
"Golden Boy"**

Basketball, Orchestra

Clever and snappy and always happy.
He will go far as an "accordion star."



Joseph Rumore, "Maggie"

A husky fellow, who has what it takes.
In all that he does, good records he
makes.



Claire R. Rush

Glee Club, Home Economics
Club, Orchestra, Honor Student

When music and sweetness fills the air,
You're sure somewhere to find our
Claire.



Mary Janice Ryan, "Jan"

High Honor Student, Sec. Stu-
dent Council, Basketball, Sec.
Home Economics Club, Tatler
Staff, Sec. and Treas. Glee Club

A sunny smile, a thrilling voice
As a perfect girl she is our choice.



Pauline Ann Sacheli, "Shorty"

Home Economics Club, Honor
Student

Pauline is so jolly and gay
When she's not around, it's just a
gloomy day.

Norma J. Salley, "Norm"

High Honor Student, Class Will,
Glee Club, Secretary of Class of
1940, Tatler Staff, Home Eco-
nomics Club

She's adept in her studies and recites
at will.
Has a pleasing manner and poetic skill.



Virginia Santaniella, "Vir"

She is very quiet, and has a way of
her own,
Which wins her many friends, so she's
never alone.



Palmina Sarno, "Polly"

Palmina has a happy smile.
We hope she keeps it all the while.



Joseph Scalia, "Scaley"

Student Council

Joseph is full of fun and mischief too,
But he does his work when it's there
to do.



Nicholas Sevarino, "Nick"

Nicholas has a deep, bass voice
A future referee may be his choice.



**Margaret Mary Sferrazza,
"Peggy"**

Orchestra, Honor Student

She does her work well, this smart
little lass,
That's why she's right up in the front
of the class.



Anthony Siano, "Tony"

Baseball

Anthony Siano with the curly hair
For the girls he does not care.



Gloria M. Smith, "Smitty"

Home Economics Club, Honor
Student

She has sparkling eyes and pretty
brown hair,
Wherever there's fun, Gloria's sure to
be there.



Geraldine Snyder, "Jerry"

Home Economics Club,
Basketball

Jerry, always smiling, so happy and so
gay,
She pleases everyone she knows in
every possible way.



Edward L. Sullivan, "Sully"

Baseball, Basketball

Sully came to Higgins this year
And made many friends while he was
here.



John Sullivan, "Sully"

Glee Club

With good ideas to offer, he's welcome anywhere,
His friends enjoy his company, for he has jokes to share.

Stanley Sypek, "Syp"

Student Council

Stanley is happy when he is working,
One thing is sure—he is never found shirking.

Mary Constance Theofiles

Glee Club

She seems to be shy, but does her work well,
I'm sure she'll go far; her success we foretell.

Virginia Vail, "Dolly"

Student Council

Dancing and singing, warm-hearted and gay,
She brightens school days in her artistic way.

Charles Vella, "Slow Motion"

Glee Club

Charles never seems to worry much,
Even if his fooling gets him "in Dutch."

Rita Ann Vesce

Home Economics Club

She's a very good friend and is pleasant all day,
She's a fine person to know, that's easy to say.

Alphonse Vetro, "Fo-Fo"

Alphonse dreams almost all day,
And seldom has a word to say.

Genevieve A. Ward, "Gen"

Glee Club, Home Economics Club, Honor Student

A loyal friend, quiet and sweet,
Genevieve's the kind you like to meet.

William Warren, "Billy"

William has a pleasing smile that lights his friendly face,
We're sure that it would bring the light into the darkest place.

William Wlotkowski, "Farmer"

William hails from the country, a farmer is he,
And he is very capable, as anyone can see.

Edward E. Wojnar, "Eddie"

Honor Student

Edward is quiet, but honors will reap,
It's certainly true "still waters run deep."

Walter Wolak, "Verdick"

Though he sits and dreams all day,
When school is out, you should see him play.

Edmund A. Wosko, "Emen"

Glee Club

Small in size, happy and gay,
We hope he'll always be that way.

Eleanor Young

Home Economics Club

Eleanor is a quiet lass
Who sits still in every class.

Genevieve P. Zawada, "Jennie"

High Honor Student, Treas. of 8A, Glee Club, Tatler Staff, Home Economics Club

She's small and sweet, blithe and gay,
A business manager in every way.

Edward Zebrowski

Tatler Staff, High Honor Student

He's smart and witty and we thought so shy,
But remember the dance of the Junior Hi-Y.

Mary Zirolli

Honor Student, Student Council, Glee Club

Mary is loyal and will always be true
To whatever task she has to do.

Vincie Zirolli, "Vinnie"

Student Council

Vincy is a quiet lass
Who always pays attention in class.



Athletics

Basketball practices began early in December with Hicks, O'Brien and Panella, the only members from last year's squad. The problem of securing a coach was finally solved, when Sigmont Damascewski of Springfield College came into view.

Coach Damascewski found among the new recruits such valuable men as Olko, Lira, Lamana, and Allegro. These and many others, who appeared on the squad, made it possible to whip into motion a fast moving Higgins quintet.

Due to the fact that difficulties were encountered at the beginning of the season, it was not until January 27 that Higgins made its formal appearance. This date found Higgins matching skill with the Suffield Junior High School. The game resulted in a Higgins Victory by a score of 29-10.

February 2, found Higgins facing the Enfield Freshman. The game was fast and interesting from the start, but try as they might the Higginsmen were unable to check the onslaught and were forced to bow to their one time teammates by a score of 23-13.

With defeat fresh in mind and a determination to redeem themselves, the Higgins lads strode forth to do battle with Saint Joseph Parochial School on the evening of February 3. Saint Joseph was unable to penetrate the Higgins defense and were defeated 46-8.

Broad Brook has always made a favorable showing on the court and the team that faced Higgins this year was no exception. The two teams squared off for real combat and the score will indicate that neither side misjudged the other. Final score Higgins 26, Broad Brook 25.

The evening of February 9 found the East School of Rockville invading Higgins territory. East School presented a rangy team, but again the Higgins defense proved insurmountable and the invaders were turned back to the tune of 27-16.

The final game of the season was played March 25 with the Brainard School. George LaGrange took over in

the absence of coach Damascewski. Despite the fact that LaGrange used second and third string players in the last half of the game a 32-14 victory resulted for Higgins.

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

When the basketball season arrived coach Lena Angelica found many of her positions filled by last years regulars. New uniforms were purchased which did much in bolstering the morale of the group.

The summary is as follows:

	Higgins	Visitors
Higgins vs. East St. School, Rockville	10	12
Higgins vs. Broad Brook	6	4
Higgins vs. Maple St. School, Rockville	8	21
Higgins vs. East St. School, Rockville	18	4
Higgins vs. St. Joseph	4	0
Higgins vs. Alumnae	13	2
Higgins vs. Maple St. School, Rockville	18	28
Higgins vs. St. Joseph	12	8

BASEBALL

Baseball is proceeding under the careful direction of coach Bill Malley. The starting line-up for most games is as follows:

Catchers—Olko, J. Porcello
 Pitchers—Scalia, Carroll, Sullivan
 First Base—Lina, Korona, Wolak
 Second Base—O'Brien
 Shortstop—Legienza
 Third Base—Hicks
 Right Field—Panella
 Center Field—Lessard, Raissi
 Left Field—Lamana, F. Porcello

Thus far Higgins has played only five games. The summary follows:

Higgins—10; vs. County Home—3
 Higgins—2; vs. Enfield Freshman—6
 Higgins—22; vs. Brainard—2
 Higgins—3; vs. Somersville Jr. High—2
 Higgins—2; vs. County Home—5



Class Will

Mr. Parkman, Mr. White, teachers and pupils:

The Thompsonville Press announced last evening the departure from this sphere of one of its most prominent and respected citizens—that of the Class of 1940 of the A. D. Higgins School. It was further stated that the high standards set by this outstanding class would indeed be a challenge to the classes who will follow in her footsteps. How great was her scholastic attainment! How inspiring was her sportsmanship, her dependability and her loyalty!

Though your hearts are heavy with grief, we have requested your presence here that you may bear witness to the last Will and Testament of our leading citizen, and that you may receive the gifts she has chosen for you from the pages of a happy memoir of 8 years.

Harken one and all while I read the document as duly drawn up and sworn to:

We, the Class of 1940 of the Alvin D. Higgins School, being of lawful age and of sound and disposing mind, memory and judgment, do hereby make and declare this to be our last Will and Testament. All former wills and documents are heretofore made void.

First of all, we request that our funeral services be conducted by the principal and his efficient faculty in a most pompous and stately manner that our merit and position certainly have deserved.

Our bequests are as follows:

Item:

1. To Mr. Parkman, Mr. White and the faculty, we leave our deepest admiration and thanks for their guidance during our years in this school.

Item:

2. To the lower classes we leave our great amount of school spirit. May they love the school as we do.

Item:

3. In the hands of next year's Tatler Staff, we leave this magazine. Please treat it gently and keep it growing.

Item:

4. We give and bequeath to the seventh grade pupils, Claire Pare's and Mildred Blaszkowski's knowledge in all branches of learning.

Certain individuals would like to make the following bequests:

1. To Charles Parakilas, Edward Zebrowski leaves his everlasting grin.

2. Fred Bomely leaves his smiles and jokes to Wanda Duda.

3. To Gwendolyn Blowen, Geraldine Snyder leaves her long list of boy friends. We hope she won't miss them too much.

4. To Jacquelyn Goodale we leave Lorraine Pelkey's vanity.

5. Claire Pare leaves her red hair to anyone who will accept it.

6. Florence Moschetti leaves her athletic ability to Mary Kasperzak, who we are sure will make use of it.

7. Raymond Legienza leaves his ability to ask questions to George Raissi.

8. Jane Gudlewski leaves her tomboy ways to Lena Convertito.

9. To Wanda Zaczynski we leave Jennie Zawada's height.

10. The librarians leave their duties to the seventh grade girls chosen by Miss White.

11. To Doris Blaney, Janice Ryan leaves her talented voice.

12. Edward Sullivan leaves his popularity with the girls to Patsy Verdiglio.

13. Zelda Lackey leaves her job as Editor-in-Chief of the Tatler to one of next years talented journalists.

14. Eleanor Marchingkevig leaves many inches of height to Sebastian Angelica.

15. Claire Leete and Mae Humphries leave their childish prattle to anyone who wants it.

16. Josephine Pierz leaves her drawing ability to Irene Szczepaneka.

17. To Gordon Hartley goes Edward Carroll's prize-winning fishpole.

18. Robert Goodwin and Frank Patterson leave an abundance of freckles to anyone who wants to add them to their collection.

19. The baseball and basketball equipment goes to next year's players. We hope they will win a lot of games.

20. Florence Hardiman leaves her shyness to her sister, June.

21. Matthew Korona and John Porcello leave their milk business to next year's milkmen.

22. The eighth grade members of the Glee Club leave their melodious voices to the seventh grade members of the Glee Club.

23. Josephine Angelica bequeaths her package after package of gum to Joe Alaimo. Poor Josephine,—too bad.

24. Each eighth grade pupil bequeaths to Miss Stewart all her extra history books which she so generously loaned us for extra knowledge. We are sure the class of 1941 will need them.

25. Wanda Pierog leaves her print-

ing ability to Josephine Viola, who will certainly make good use of it in the eighth grade.

26. To anyone who will accept it, Virginia Vail leaves her art in make-up.

27. The boy's basketball team leave their excellent record to next year's team.

28. William Warren leaves his giggles to Thomas Seconda to make next year's classes more lively.

29. The conduct book is always open, children, for your autograph if you care to sign it.

30. The Class of 1940 leave the Alvin D. Higgins Junior High School to the seventh graders to do what they will with it.

31. To some benighted seventh grader, anyone who will accept it as it is yet unclaimed, Norma Salley's troubles as Class Secretary.

32. Fred Bomely, Edward Zebrowski, and John O'Brien leave their ability as salesmen to the advertising management of next year's Tatler.

33. We leave to next year's eighth grade the management of the annual magazine drive.

34. Lucy Angelica leaves the job of making announcements to Helen Rogala.

35. Marion Gamache leaves her good disposition and her ability on the traffic committee to the future chairman.

36. The members of Student Council leave the eighth grade their wisdom and experience gained in self-government, and thanks for your co-operation this year.

37. Donald Brown leaves his large vocabulary to Edward Krawczyk, who, we believe, will make good use of it.

38. To the future classes of the A. D. Higgins School we leave the Arbor Day Tree, which was planted this year, hoping that you will treat it kindly.

39. To Edward Baskerville we leave a dust cloth, and a can of polish so he may keep Miss Twomey's car bright and new as ever. May it be applied with plenty of elbow grease.

40. We leave to all future classes the record of our remarkable progress and achievement, that it may be an inspiration to them to follow in our footsteps and perhaps, at some future date, they may become, to some extent, like us—so unusual and outstanding.

Item:

1. We, the Class of 1940, leave our books, desks, pencils, and pens to the Class of 1941, so they may receive the knowledge that we have from them.

Item:

2. To the school board we leave a bag of grass seed to re-beautify the spots so ruthlessly tramped down by us.

Item:

3. To Miss Sullivan, the school nurse, we give our heartiest thanks for her splendid work among the children of this school.

In witness whereof, we have hereunto inscribed our names, this 18th day of June, in the year of Our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty.

Miss Angelica,

Miss Miller,

Miss Norian,

Witnesses.

Attorneys:

Norma Salley,

Constance Agrapides.



"In Retrospect"

THE CHILDREN'S HOUR

(With apologies to Longfellow)

Between nine A. M. and three thirty,
When the children are all in school,
Comes a racket and many a whisper,
That we know is against the rule.

The children all hurry to classes—
All dressed so clean and neat,
One might think it's a stampede of
buffalo
But it's only the eighth graders feet.

From our studies we see in the sunlight,
Descending the center hall stairs,
Our truant officer so nicely strutting,
But really nobody cares.

A whisper and then a holler,
We know by the faces in back,
The teacher is looking directly
At the boy who sat on a tack.

When the teacher wants the conduct
book,
She walks with strides that resound,
She waits, listens, and lingers,
But the conduct book's not to be found.

Into the office we reluctantly go
The principal to see.
We understand he's quite a nice fellow
But doesn't like pupils with C's.

A sudden rush from the stairway
A sudden rush into line,
Is it a fire? A hurricane?
No, it's only recess time.

Into the assembly hall we strut
For it is Wednesday morn'
And there in our great auditorium
Many an idea is born.

—Continued



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GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM

—Photo by Brown

Our chairman is a nice young person
Who stands with graceful poise,
And after his talk is over
Then is the time for noise.

And now the children are breathless,
All excited and waiting to go
To Mt. Tom on our class picnic
Where we spend all our dough.

First we go in the fun house,
The whip and dodge-em cars—
Then we visit the hot-dog stand
And eat fruit and candy bars.

And so with our arms full of bundles
And games and toys that we've won,
We arrive home tired, but happy,
And agree we've had lots of fun.

And now as the days grow longer,
And our school weeks pass away
Comes a time of dire apprehension,
That is known as graduation day.

With saddened hearts we trudge along
The path of life too fast,
But why not sing a cheerful song,
For nothing forever can last.

Edward Zebrowski,
John O'Brien,
Fred Bomely.

Statistics

Prettiest Girl.....	Concetta Angelica
Handsomest Boy.....	Edward Sullivan
Vainest Girl.....	Virginia Vail
Vainest Boy.....	John O'Brien
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Most Popular Boy.....	John O'Brien
Quietest Girl.....	Florence Hardiman
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Most Talkative Boy.....	Charles Fabrico
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Class Athlete.....	Clarence Hicks
Class Pet.....	Jennie Zawada
Class Sheik.....	Frederick Bomely
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Wittiest Boy.....	Frederick Bomely
Class Poet.....	Norma Salley
Smartest Girl.....	Claire Pare
Smartest Boy.....	Edward Zebrowski

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